

# PERSONAL INJURY CONFERENCE AGENDA 2026

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**8:30 AM - 8:45 AM** | Welcoming Remarks & Acknowledgement of Country

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**8:45 AM - 9:30 AM** | Session 1

**Head Injuries Panel**

*Presented by Dr Robert Bourke, Neuropsychologist, Prof Christian Gericke, Neurologist & Mr Daniel Masel SC, Barrister*

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**9:30 AM - 10:00 AM** | Session 2

**ADR | Its History and Integrated Use in the Common Law**

*Presented by His Honour Philip Misso, Former County Court Judge*

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**10:00 AM - 10:30 AM** | Session 3

**Post-Concussive Symptoms in Women**

*Presented by Dr Christina Furtado, Neuropsychologist*

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**10:30 AM - 10:50 AM** | Morning Tea

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**10:50 AM - 11:30 AM** | Session 4

**Consent for Vaginal Delivery | Medical Negligence**

*Presented by Dr Rachel Ryan, Obstetrician & Gynaecologist & Barrister (TBC)*

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**11:30 AM - 12:15 PM** | Session 5

**Aggravation of Pre-Existing Degenerative Conditions in the Context of Serious Injury Applications**

*Presented by Prof Chris Morrey, Orthopaedic Surgeon & Barrister (TBC)*

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**12:15 PM - 12:25 PM** | Words from Legal Funding Australia, Mr Peter Finocchio

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**12:25 PM - 1:15 PM** | Lunch

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**1:15 PM - 1:55 PM** | Session 6

**Abuse Matters | AA v Maitland - Non-delegable duties on Vicarious Trauma**

*Presented by A/Prof Michael Robertson, Psychiatrist, Ms Katharine Gladman, Barrister, Mr David O'Brien, Barrister & Ms Hetty Champion de Crespigny, Barrister*

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**1:55 PM - 2:25 PM** | Session 7

**Fusion Procedures | Post-Traumatic Arthritis**

*Presented by Dr Ameya Kamat, Neurosurgeon*

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**2:25 PM - 2:45 PM** | Afternoon Tea

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**2:45 PM - 3:15 PM** | Session 8

**Case Law Updates | Serious Injury Cases that Involve Scarring and Disfigurement**

*Presented by Mr Robert Paoletti, Barrister*

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**3:15 PM - 4:00 PM** | Session 9

**Getting the Most out of Your Expert**

*Presented by A/Prof Abdul Khalid, Psychiatrist & Barrister (TBC)*

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**4:00 PM - 4:15 PM** | Closing Address

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**4:15 PM** | Post-Conference Networking Drinks - Robert Flower Terrace